



HIGH SCHOOL OVERVIEW

High School students are expected to complete 4 years of full-time study, taking 7 courses per year. All courses are subject to maximum and minimum enrollment numbers and that we may alter courses available based on need or demand.

FOUR-YEAR PLAN

Each student enrolling as a freshman should complete a four-year plan based on the student's goal for post-secondary options and/or future career goals.

FULLY ENROLLED STUDENT

Students must be enrolled in seven (7) credit courses. There is no provision for part-time status. If a student's withdrawal from a class, by choice or by disciplinary reason, results in less than the six (5) required classes, he/she may be expected to withdraw or be dismissed from school under the due process procedure.

CLASS SCHEDULES

1. Counselor will meet with students early in the second semester to assist in selecting classes for the next year.
2. Students should work with their parents and the counselor to select their courses carefully. The selections made will play a critical role in the student's future options in further education and in career choices.
3. Questions regarding schedules should be directed to the counselor.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Students and parents should carefully consider all course requests prior to meeting with the guidance counselor to schedule courses for an upcoming school year.

Schedule changes after the second week of school may occur or be granted under the following circumstances:

- Administrative error in scheduling (i.e. original student requests were not entered correctly)
- Need to balance class sizes
- Student failed a first term class or summer school class in a required subject
- Students with seven classes may drop one class for a study hall during the first seven days of the semester with administrative approval and provided that class is not an Honors AP course
- Documented physical or mental condition requires a modification in the schedule
- Special education or other learning considerations
- Student is academically misplaced in the course (has not completed pre-requisites, new enrollee misplaced)
- Administrative discretion

ONLINE COURSES AND SUMMER SCHOOL

1. To take online courses or summer school courses for credit, students must have prior approval by the Guidance counselor or principal.

2. Grades for online courses MUST be received by May 15 if they are to be counted toward graduation eligibility. A maximum of four (4) credits from online courses or summer school classes taken from institutions other than TEDA Global Academy may apply toward graduation.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To graduate with a TGA diploma, all high school students are required to **successfully complete a minimum requirement of 26 credits** in the following subject areas plus elective courses:

TGA Graduation Requirements:					
For the Class of 2020 and Beyond					
Total credits needed: 26					
A minimum end of term grade of 60 is required to earn credit in a course.					
Community Service: 40 Hours					
Course	Requirements	Courses	CRT	Course	CRT
English	4 courses of English	Honors English 9	1	American Literature	1
		English 9	1	British Literature	1
		Honors English 10	1	AP Language	1
		English 10	1	AP Literature	1
Mathematics	4 courses of Mathematics	Algebra 1	1	Pre-Calculus	1
		Algebra 2	1	AP Calculus AB/BC	1
		Geometry/ Trigonometry	1	Business Math	1
Science	4 courses of Science - 2 must be courses in laboratory sciences	Biology w/ Laboratory	1	Marine Biology	1
		Chemistry w/ Lab	1	AP Physics 1	1
		Physics	1	AP Physics 2	1
		Environmental Science	1	AP Biology	1
				AP Chemistry	1
Social Science	4 courses in social studies	Grade 9 social studies			1
		Grade 10 – Modern World History			1
		Grade 11/12 – Human Geography			1
		Comparative Government & Politics			1
		AP Human Geography			1
		AP Comparative Government & Politics			1

Visual Performing Arts/ World Language	1 course in visual and performing arts and 1 course in world language	Chinese/AP Chinese	1	AP Music Theory	1
		Spanish	1	Art Foundation	1
		Drama	1	Art Studio 1 & 2	1
		Choir	1	AP Studio Art (2D Drawing)	1
		Jazz Band	1		1
Electives	10 additional elective credits are required – must include 1 year course in physical education, unless the student has been otherwise exempted	Chinese/AP Chinese	1	AP Psychology	1
		Spanish	1	AP World History	1
		Drama	1	AP Microeconomics	1
		Choir	1	AP Macroeconomics	1
		Jazz Band	1	AP World History	1
		Journalism	1	AP American History	1
		AP Music Theory	1	AP Statistics	1
		Art Foundation	1	Philosophy and Ethics	1
		Art Studio 1 & 2	1	Physical Education	1
		AP Studio Art (2D Drawing)	1		

COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

Community service hours must be completed with a registered charity or non-for-profit organization, and official letters must be submitted to prove the student's voluntary work. We have a community service club that generates ideas for projects and activities for students to get involved in within our TEDA Tianjin community. Students will also complete a number of community service hours during their Outdoor Education & Leadership Program.

Minimum Number of Community Service Hours for Graduation

GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
10 Hours	10 Hours	10 Hours	10 Hours

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Social development and extracurricular activities of students are vital parts of the total educational program at TGA. Students who become involved in extracurricular activities find school more interesting, challenging and fulfilling. Activities such as athletics, the musical programs and theatrical productions, as well as academic contests, are intended to develop interest, talents, leadership, and organizational abilities.